

# THE Ocala BANNER

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## Local and Personal

The government building is now putting on some of its frills, and is assuming shapely proportions.

A man was in town yesterday and asked a representative of this paper "if this wasn't Georgia!" Don't know where he had been.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorsey and baby of Dunnellon are on a visit to Mrs. Dorsey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McDavid, in this city.

Mr. Walter Ray, phosphate miner, lumber dealer and Ocala property owner, was among our prominent visitors yesterday.

The O. K. Grocery is getting a good many bouquets from the truck growers who purchased seeds of them. They seem to have been all to the good.

It takes hard work to build a city, but we must not become discouraged. Remember that Rome was not built in a day. Some of the old cathedrals were thirteen hundred years in course of construction.

Dr. Otto Grothe, Ocala's old time chemist, is back with us again. He has a dwelling and a fine laboratory in the third ward, and is here to look after them.

"Uncle Billy" Folks, one of Marion county's most esteemed citizens, was a visitor yesterday. He was from the Shady Grove section, where he preached Sunday. He speaks a good word for our county.

The Daughters of the Confederacy are asked by their historian-general to abolish the custom of awarding annual prizes for historical essays. The last prize went to Miss Christine Boyson of Minnesota.

Gus A. Morton of Williston, a prominent citizen of that place, was looking after some business matters here yesterday. Gus is always extended a cordial welcome to Gainesville.—Gainesville Sun.

We understand that Mrs. Walker Bishop has purchased a very handsome lot from Mr. Charles Peyser on Fort King avenue and will erect thereon a very nice residence. Mr. T. M. Cook has the contract.

Messrs. C. C. Rawls, Isaac Rawls and C. C. Rawls, Jr., were in town Monday on a shopping and business tour. They are as progressive farmers as we can boast, and it is a mighty bad crop year when their fields do not wave with plenty.

It has been reported to us that thieves are again at work in the cemetery. Some very pretty flowers have been dug up and carried away. We hope that they may be apprehended. A person who will steal flowers planted over a grave will do most anything else.

Mr. Jim Brooks was in from the Old Town settlement Monday for the purpose of buying some crates in which to ship some cabbage to market, and as he was unsuccessful in obtaining any crates he bought four barrels as a substitute and old oat sacks for a covering. Prices of cabbage have advanced considerably lately, and Mr. Brooks wanted to get the benefits therefrom. As a rule, the truck grower keeps pretty well posted as to prices.

Mr. Lee Raysor, who has quit rail-roading for the farm, was in town yesterday, and says that things on the farm look mighty good to him, and expects to make all kinds of prices on cabbage. "Come seven, come eleven," will be more than duplicated.

Mr. R. D. Stokes, Mr. J. M. Munroe and one or two others from the Withlacoochee section, were in the city Monday, and were here principally to attend a foreclosure sale of a horse. They say that the Withlacoochee river is lower than it has been for years. In some places it is easily fordable.

Mr. J. Q. Smith is again up from Center Hill. He says that the truckers there, and there are any number of them, are in fine shape. They have been visited with good seasons and the crops are looking well. Everything promises good results. The outlook is all to the good.

Mr. W. D. Carn, who had charge of the Marion county exhibit at the Tampa fair, has returned. He says that the fair was very good, but other things being equal the Marion county fair had it "faded." The coming winter Marion county is going to show the people of Florida what a real fair it. It will be a revelation to all the people.

Mr. C. J. Jewell was in to see us a few days ago, and he says that he now has a barnyard full of chickens that will be hard to beat anywhere on earth. They are the white Plymouth Rocks, and easily secured the prize at our late county fair. Their beauty, however, is only one of their good qualities. They have many others.

Mr. R. P. Priest, one of our valued subscribers of Morrilton, was in to see us yesterday. He says that things are moving along smoothly and evenly in his neck of the woods. The farmers are busy either planting or preparing to do so. He says that the cold did his section very little injury as there was very little growing that could be injured.

The Globe store, Mr. E. Goldman, manager, was entered Sunday night and robbed of a large quantity of merchandise, the value approximating the sum of two hundred dollars. The robbers acted with apparent deliberation, selecting the best suit cases and filling them with the finest goods in the store. It is certainly hoped that the guilty parties will be apprehended and summarily punished.

There were two sheriff's sales in front of the court house door Monday. One was a horse levied upon as the property of W. M. Myers at the foreclosure suit of J. M. Munroe. The horse was sold for fifty dollars and fifty cents, and was bought by Mr. Chas. W. Smith. Bystanders thought the horse sold for all he was worth.

Every good citizen will obey the ordinances of the city in which he resides as far as he is able. The sidewalk ordinance requires the putting down of cement pavements, and the compliance with the provisions of this ordinance will be a direct benefit to all the property holders and pedestrians of our city. We hope the city council and officers will get a move on them. The officers ought not to be so quick to enforce part of the ordinances and let the others become a dead letter. That brings about a disrespect and disobedience of law.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Admitted during February nine patients; discharged three; deaths, two, but both in dying condition when admitted. Patients now under treatment, nine, and a baby one week old. The donations for February were as follows:

Four pairs of pajamas from Mrs. F. A. Teague.  
Magazines from Mrs. C. W. Hunter.  
Vegetables from Mrs. Stein.  
Old sheets from Mrs. Teneyck.  
Pillow from Mrs. Wallace.  
Vegetables, oranges, grapefruit and orange marmalade from Mrs. P. L. Duriso.

Box of oranges, tangerines and lums from Mr. E. S. Upham of South Lake Weir.

Buttermilk and vegetables from Mrs. Smoak.

Fish and fixing wheel chair by Mr. Smoak.

Buttermilk from Mrs. Pyles and Hiawatha dairy.

Cut flowers from Mrs. Herbert C. Jones and a guest at the Metropole.

Box of oranges from Mr. Howard of Ocala steam laundry.

Baby clothes from King's Daughters.

I want to thank the King's Daughters for their prompt response with baby clothes for the little boy born here. The baby's mother, Mrs. Ross, returns thanks, too, and the baby howls her thanks.

Capt. Thomas O. Stewart leaves us this morning for the Soldiers' Home in Jacksonville.

A negro man, Jesse Johnston, was brought into the hospital yesterday afternoon by Dr. Lindner, from Mr. Robert Munroe's place, shot through the side.

## SUPERINTENDENT.

### ASHER FRANK'S BIG SALE

Mr. Asher Frank, general manager of the Marion Realty Company, carried out his plan of selling lots at Odd Fellows' Heights yesterday afternoon precisely in accordance with the advertised program. Promptly at the hour named the brass band was on the streets, and free hacks carried the visitors to the Heights. Arriving there, more free lunches were distributed than the crowds could consume. There was nothing "short" about the spread either, as it was specially prepared by "Mine Host" Maloney, of the Ocala House.

Odd Fellows' Heights overlooks Ocala by several feet, and is beautifully located, and is shaded by a number of oak trees. Being high, it gets the full benefit of the breezes.

The state Odd Fellows will soon erect a hall upon the property that is estimated to cost several thousand dollars, and which will add materially to the price of lots.

Mr. Frank succeeded in selling forty-two lots yesterday, which, as a starter, he thinks is quite encouraging.

It is the cheapest real estate proposition that has probably ever been offered in Ocala. The proposition is only one dollar down and a dollar a week until the lots are paid for. The prices range from fifteen to fifty dollars.

The scheme will bear the closest investigation.

### IMPROVING HIS STORE

Mr. G. A. Nash, one of Ocala's popular and up-to-date dry goods merchants, is having some very pretty improvements made to his store. The store has been newly papered with attractive white paper, which makes the room much brighter and shows the goods off to better advantage. A large arch has also been cut through the front and back store rooms, making the store twice the size it formerly was. When completed this will be one of the prettiest of Ocala's pretty stores.

Mr. Adrian P. Jordan, state pure food inspector, is in the city and is stopping at the New Metropole. He is one of the most conscientious officials, we dare say, that ever held a commission. His first tour of the state is more educational than anything else. He says that he nowhere finds a disposition on the part of any of our dealers to violate the laws, but if they do so at all it is because of their unfamiliarity with the laws. His mission now is to post them in regard to the same, which he is doing with patience, industry and rare conscientiousness. Before accepting this position Mr. Jordan was regarded as one of the brightest editorial and miscellaneous writers on the Florida press. He paid this office a fraternal call yesterday.

## WHY YOU SHOULD BECOME A MEMBER OF THE OSCEOLA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Everybody should now join the gymnasium for two of the very best reasons: 1. It will do you good. 2. We need the money.

Let everybody understand: You can join the gymnasium for one dollar per month, or ten dollars per year, in advance if you like. For this dollar you certainly get your money's worth. Any member will gladly show you around if you wish to look over the rooms, also give any information in regard to the management of the association.

Following are the benefits to be derived from the association: Three fine shower baths, hot and cold water, separate dressing rooms, same privilege in the public library as any member of the library, and the use of the following apparatus:

Three dozen dumb bells, three sizes; three dozen Indian clubs, three sizes; three pairs boxing gloves, three sizes; one set fencing foils, three wall machines, one wrist machine, one medicinal ball, three punching bags, six lifting weights, from 10 to 100 pounds, two dozen wands, one set horizontal bars, one set parallel bars, two large tumbling mats, one fine vaulting horse.

We should also remember that the baseball club is under the same management, and soon the boys will begin to practice, and of course we must have good baseball.

Following is a list of the board of directors and executive committee:

### Board of Directors

Rev. Geo. H. Harrison, Dr. J. E. Chace, Royal E. Cole, E. C. Bennett, M. J. Roess, Edward Holder, Jake Brown, T. T. Munroe, L. W. Duval, C. W. Hunter, George MacKay, D. S. Woodrow, Geo. H. Ford, Dr. W. H. Powers, Geo. K. Robinson, A. E. Gerig, H. B. Clarkson.

### Executive Committee

L. W. Duval, president; E. C. Bennett, vice president; Royal E. Cole, secretary; A. E. Gerig, treasurer; C. W. Hunter, superintendent.

The rooms are located up stairs over W. W. Clyatt's new building, opposite the Ocala Banner office.

Twenty-two new members were added the last week, making the total number of members fifty-six.

Every evening there are from ten to twenty members in the rooms, enjoying themselves in various ways.

Mr. Miller, the expert wrestler, is a member, and will gladly give instructions to anyone wishing to learn to box or wrestle. Amateur exhibitions in boxing and wrestling are given quite often.

Don't fail to become one of us at once.

ROYAL E. COLE, Sec.

### THE WRECK STORE CLOSED

The Ocala Wreck Store is no more. It closed its doors Saturday night as was stated in an advertisement in this paper, and Mr. Joel packed up the few goods that were not sold and shipped them back to Jacksonville. During his stay in Ocala he did a good trade and is fairly well pleased with our city. He may return at some future time.

Mr. Charles A. Brown, who has been spending several years in California, paid this office a pleasant visit Monday. He is very much in love with his new home and says that as a fruit state it is hard to excel. That grapes, peaches, figs, olives, apricots and all kindred fruits thrive wonderfully well. He says that he cannot see why olives and cherries would not do well in Florida, as the climates of the two states are so nearly similar. That the olive never sheds its leaves in California, and is a very profitable crop. Mr. Brown is here on account of the critical illness of his father. He has rented one of the J. A. Pittman cottages, and will be here at least until the early summer. Mrs. Brown is with him.

To find a woman—she lives in Tallahassee, according to the True Democrat—who is 116 years old, and attributes her extraordinary longevity simply to "hard living and the grace of God" and not to a modern medicinal preparation is, perhaps, the greatest wonder of the twentieth century.—Pensacola Journal. We did not know that women ever grow old.

Mr. A. J. Harrell of Oklawaha was in town yesterday. He went home carrying a six dollar Bible, and said that he intended to be a life-time subscriber to the Ocala Banner. All good people just naturally incline toward the Banner.

## WHAT A BANK DOES

There are many ways in which it serves the public, but the one now most valuable perhaps, is to help with loans. We will meet the needs of conservative borrowers

The Munroe & Chambliss Bank

## MEETING OF THE VETERANS

Notwithstanding the rain of Tuesday morning the usual number attended the meeting of the Confederate Veterans.

Adjutant T. E. Williams was sick and was unable to attend and Major T. D. Lancaster acted for him.

Upon calling the roll the following members were found to be present: L. M. Graham, H. W. Long, W. L. Ditto, W. Kirkpatrick, J. M. Martin, V. M. Seckinger, E. W. McDonald, J. A. Weisner, R. R. Carlton, B. H. Norris, R. A. Kelsey, J. T. Lancaster, C. C. Stevens, J. H. Livingston, Sr., Frank Harris.

A list of members who were in arrears, and whose names had for a long time appeared on the rolls in that shape, was read, but as it was stated that they had not been officially informed as to their indebtedness to the camp, the adjutant was instructed to officially notify each member of his standing on the books, and if no attention was paid to the notification to drop the names, as the same was entailing a hardship upon the others, as the camp was assessed a per capita tax according to membership, and the same had to be forwarded to headquarters regardless of the standing of individual members.

Colonel J. M. Martin gave a very interesting personal memoir of the war, starting when he first began raising a company in the flatwoods, when he witnessed a pugilistic duel between two of its citizens, strictly in line with the Marquis of Queensberry rules, and ending only with the last shot that was fired before the fatal 9th of April at Appomattox court house, in 1865.

History is said to repeat itself, and the charge of the Light Brigade at Balaclava did not immortalize itself more gloriously than did certain members of his regiment at Cold Harbor, when it obeyed an order which, to do so meant certain death, yet the alacrity with which the order was obeyed stands out unparalleled in the annals of war.

There was no shirking, no protest, no quaking, but every fourth man of the regiment went valiantly into the very jaws of death.

"It was theirs not to reason why, it was theirs to do or die."

Not a man flinched; every one met the rain of leaden bullets with unflinching step, and sometime another Tennyson will arise to immortalize their heroism in verse.

At the next meeting Capt. W. L. Ditto will entertain the camp with some personal reminiscences.

Mr. S. C. Mayo, of the firm of Ron and Mayo, Reddick, was a prominent visitor Saturday. The firm is planting about 300 acres in cantaloupes and watermelons. Mr. Mayo said that the cold of Friday did no damage whatsoever, and that the truckers are prophesying a good year this season and good prices. He says that the acreage will not be so large as in former years. This paper hopes that the most sanguine anticipations of the growers will be realized.

It is said that the Clyde Steamship Company intends to establish a boat line from Baltimore to Jacksonville in competition with the Merchant and Miners' line between the two cities. This steamship competition in freight rates, however, only puts the interior at a disadvantage, because our railway commission does not permit freight competition between railways, if we are correctly informed. The cheaper our seaport cities obtain freights the harder it is for interior cities to endeavor to do a wholesale business in competition with them.

Rev. Joanna Hawkins, one of the first missionaries to Florida after the civil war, and who resided here for a long time, left for seventeen years and returned about four months ago, died yesterday afternoon about four o'clock and will be buried today from Mount Moriah Baptist church. The funeral services will be conducted by Revs. P. G. Gowen and L. C. Griffin.



## GASOLINE BOILER EXPLOSION

Tuesday afternoon about five o'clock a tremendous explosion was heard in the vicinity of the Montezuma hotel, which apparently shook the very foundations of the earth in the near vicinity.

It proved to proceed from the shoe and repair shop kept by D. W. Goodwin, between the Montezuma and Lee Hong's laundry.

What caused the explosion is not known, and fortunately no one was injured, although several persons were in the shop at the time, and the machine to which the boiler and engine were attached was almost completely demolished, as well as another piece of machinery which was in close proximity.

At the time of the explosion Goodwin, R. S. Mitchell, a well known railway clerk, a man by the name of Haylock and a small boy were in the shop. A piece of the boiler passed only a few inches over Mitchell's head. The boy was standing in the doorway and was blown out of it into the alleyway, yet all marvelously escaped unhurt. The concussion was so great that the big glass windows and the glass in the transom were shivered to atoms.

The explosion created great consternation, and it was thought that the Nihilists were upon us, or that the bombs of some safe blowers had prematurely exploded.

The two machines destroyed cost four hundred and twenty-five dollars. No insurance.

Ex-Mayor Fisher left Sunday morning for Washington City, where he will witness the imposing ceremonies of the inauguration of President Taft. So far as we know Mr. Fisher will be Ocala's only representative, and this paper hopes that he will do the honors of our little city gracefully, and it goes without saying that the same will be done. During his stay in that city he will be the guest of friends. Before his return he will visit New York, Baltimore, Boston, Philadelphia and all the eastern markets.

Ocala seems to have a bad climate for one-legged men. A few days ago Marshal Bull had a desperate struggle in an effort to arrest one, and had not assistance been opportunely given him he might have been compelled to use violence. There was still another one before Mayor Robertson yesterday. He was charged with being drunk and had to pay the usual penalty. There were two other unfortunate ones before the mayor.

Mr. C. Y. Miller, formerly editor of the Leroy News, and the Dunnellon Citizen, was an Ocala visitor yesterday. He will soon go to New York, incidentally to buy goods, but particularly to consummate a real estate deal he has on foot that will mean perhaps much good for our county. Mr. Miller is one of our county's most successful farmers and business men. He will be accompanied to New York by his son-in-law, Mr. Newbern.